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TO: Public Water Supply System Managers

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SUBJECT: 2022 Source Water Protection Grant Program

Applications for Type 1 Public Water Supply Systems (PWSS)

Groundwater and Surface Water Systems

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), Drinking Water and Environmental Health Division (DWEHD), announces the 2022 Source Water Protection Grant Program.

These grants are provided to assist PWSSs in developing, initiating, and maintaining source water protection programs. Among other things, grant eligible activities enable public water systems to understand how their source water interacts with the landscape, to inventory potential sources of contamination, to enact administrative controls, and to educate the general public about their relationship to their water and their role in protecting it. Comprehensive source water protection is a continual effort and EGLE encourages water system owners to apply for grants during each cycle to support an active source water protection program for their community. Both groundwater and surface water supplied systems are eligible to apply.

The minimum application requirements include:

- A 50 percent local match that must be provided through local funds equal to the amount of grant assistance requested,
- A source water protection team consisting of at least three people, including representation from the water supply superintendent and the municipality, and
- A minimum score of ten on the application.

Application forms, instructions, and examples are now available on the Source Water Protection website at Michigan.gov/WHP. Click on the "Grants" column in the middle of the page, then select "Source Water Protection Grant Applications." If you do not have internet access, please contact DWEHD at 517-599-6257 to request an application package.

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Completed applications and all supporting documentation (including Participation Agreements) must be submitted to EGLE-DWEHD-Source-Water-Protection-Grants@Michigan.gov no later than June 30, 2021. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered. **Grant awards will be announced in August.**

Please email any questions you have about the application process to <u>EGLE-DWEHD-Source-Water-Protection-Grants@Michigan.gov</u>. You may also contact Mr. Jason Berndt by telephone at 517-203-9631.

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